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By his Ex^{cy} the Gov^r & Councill in Assembly Iuly the 17th 1699.

Upon Consideration of this Letter Annexed and the many Irregularitys and undecent Marriages Contracted in this province as have been represented to the Board, the Law touching P. 75 that Subject is recomended to your Consideracon Whether it be not adviseable to prohibit Iustices Marrying of persons where there is a Minister in the County or in the next Adjacent And to prvent any persons from Enjoying the benefitt of Lawfull Marriage in this province where the same is so unlawfully and undecently done as the Case in the said Letter mentions whether it may not be adviseable to Incert a Declaratory Clause in the said Law what Certificate shall be Sufficient for any persons prtending to have been married together in Pensilvania Virginia or any the Adjacent Governmts so as to tollerate their Cohabiting together as such

> Signed p Order W Bladen Cl Concil.

By the house of Delegates Iuly the 17th 1699

This house have recd the Message this day sent by the honble Iames Frisby and Majr Iohn Hamond and have Considered the Same and humbly Desire that his Maty's Attorney Gen¹¹ may prepare a Bill thereon and present for the Consider-Signed p Order acon of this house

Chr. Gregory Cl house Del.

Came Major Ennalls Mr Elisha Hall, Dr Lockerman and Mr Briscoe who bring a Bill for Killing of Wolves read the first time and will pass.

A Bill to Impower the purchasers of Subscriptions to the Freeschools to recover the Same read the first time and will

pass with Amendment

Sent p Esq^r Tasker and Col Hutchins with the Indenture of Returne of Iames Philips a Delegate for Baltemore County. The Board Adjourned 'till 2 of the Clock in the afternoon

Post Meridiem

The Councill Sate, present as in the Morning Came Mr Iohn Hall and Mr Walter Campbell And brought

the Bill to Impower purchasers of Subscriptions to the ffreeschools to receive the Same which was read the second time & passed.

A Bill for killing of Wolves read the 2d time and passed